Who We Are in Christ (Part II)

God's Math

I've talked before about how our God is omnipresent, omnipotent and omniscient but in this second part I want to tell you one more thing about God that He has shown me that just thrills me! I don't recall hearing this preached about before yet it is very important to our relationship with God. It is something you may have noticed but never really gave much thought to, at least that is how it was for me.

> **And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves, and the two fishes, and looking up to heaven, he blessed, and brake, and gave the loaves to his disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they did all eat, and were filled: and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full.**
> **Matthew 14:19-20 (KJV)**

In the story of the loaves and fishes we marvel at the fact that even after feeding multitudes there were much more leftovers collected than they originally had; but did you ever ask yourself why it happened that way? Why were there leftovers, I mean, why not just enough to feed everyone and satisfy them completely? Then I learned God's math.

As we all know the way things work in this world is when you or I have something and we give some of it away we have less. But remember that I showed in scripture how God is not subject to the laws of this dimension? When God gives us something instead of having less He has *more to give*! Instead of subtracting, He multiplies! Praise God!

Pray Big!

Now even while you are pondering that wonder I want you to apply it to your prayer life, because it is there where we have the ability to put this powerful concept to work ourselves. When we are asking for "good things" in accordance with God's will we not only have the ability, *but the duty to ask big*; to ask for as much as our faith in Him can withstand!

How many of us have the faith to turn to the sun and moon and command them to stop in the sky as Joshua did? (**Joshua 10:12-14 KJV**) We get so little because we ask little, or we ask amiss. Faith is pliable; it is stretched like a muscle that is why we exercise faith! It will not grow unless we challenge it.

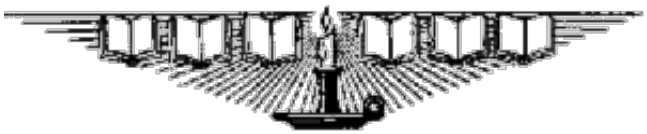
> **Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.**
> **Luke 10:19 (KJV)**

What are we waiting for? Our prayers go out there and multiply just as the loaves and fishes did! They touch someone who touches someone else and so on. What more do we need? He promises to give us all the power

we need, so let's just take it by faith!

> **If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.**
> **James 1:5 (KJV)**

We need to stop praying like we just need a little to tide us over; we need to start *praying big*. Yes, pray for your friends, but don't stop there. Pray for their families, neighborhoods their countries! When we are asking in accordance with God's will for the right things there is no such thing as greed! God wants us to ask in prayer for everything we need in our battles and He wants to give them liberally and abundantly to us!

> **And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.**
> **Revelation 5:8 (KJV)**

Not one of our prayers falls through the cracks, each is so precious to God that it is saved in a vessel to be poured out and answered at the right time according to His purpose. If you are not seeing the answer you are waiting for hold fast and be assured that God is on the job. He teaches us faith in this manner; He trains us to increase our faith and to not depend on what we see. Not only are the consequences of rejecting Christ eternal but the results of our prayers.